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DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

- WHEREAS, on or about March 1, 2020, pursuant to the COVID-19 outbreak, and in conjunction with previously declared disasters by Federal, State, and County government, the virus has caused or threatens to cause injury, damage, and suffering to the persons and property of **Tobyhanna Township**; and
- WHEREAS, the (disaster) has endangered the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in **Tobyhanna Township**, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than **Tobyhanna Township** may be able to resolve; and
- WHEREAS, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents in **Tobyhanna Township**.
- NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned Supervisors of **Tobyhanna Township**, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA C.S., Section 7501), as amended, do hereby declare the existence of a disaster emergency in **Tobyhanna Township**.
- FURTHER, we direct the Township Manager, Assistant Manager, and Emergency Management Coordinator to coordinate the activities of the emergency response, to take all appropriate action needed to alleviate the effects of this disaster, to aid in the restoration of essential public services, and to take any other emergency response action deemed necessary to respond to this emergency.
- STILL FURTHER, we authorize officials of Township to act as necessary to meet the current exigencies of this emergency, namely: by the employment of temporary workers, by the rental of equipment, by the purchase of supplies and materials, and by entering into such contracts and agreements for the performance of public work as may be required to meet the emergency, all without regard to those time-consuming procedures and formalities normally prescribed by law, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.

This Declaration shall take effect immediately and remain in effect until May 31, 2020 amended from the original expiration date of April 30, 2020.

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Date: April 20, 2020

Attest: <u>Of Dioksson</u> Emergency Management Coordinator